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Memorandum

TO : SAC (157-10673) DATE: 4/10/68

FROM : ASAC SYLVESTER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On the evening of 4/9/68, a call was received from the ASAC at Birmingham advising that Memphis, in checking motels and looking for a white Mustang, came up with the registration card for ERIC STARVO GALT; they also have his name spelled ERIC SERVO GALT.

Memphis advised Birmingham that this man registered at the Rebel Motel on 4/3/68, and checked out on 4/4/68. He apparently had a 1966 white Mustang, MN 6T07C190647, with 1968 Alabama license 1-88993.

Investigation by Birmingham re this particular case reflected that GALT had been in Birmingham in August and September, 1967. Their check reflected that GALT was a white male, DOB 7/20/31, 5' 11", 175 lbs., blue eyes, brown hair. In applying for his license, according to Birmingham, he indicated he had a previous Louisiana license. Allegedly he worked on a tugboat and/or barge between New Orleans, Mobile and St. Louis.

Birmingham investigation reflected this man is a real neat dresser, quiet spoken, would wear dark business suits, did drink merely from the smell of alcohol on his breath; nothing about female companions.

He rented a safety deposit box in Birmingham in the name of KARL GALT in St. Louis. Everything checked out re above names has been completely phony. The Bureau checked the Coast Guard, National Maritime Commission, Baltimore Source 4, and all Government agencies looking for employment.

A teletype came in from Birmingham on the night of 4/9/68 giving information that GALT indicated he was divorced; bank records where he rented a safety deposit box in December, 1967, and answered the bank demand by saying he was moving to Louisiana; the letter came from Baton Rouge, La.

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GALT claimed to have worked in shipyards in Pascagoula, which was checked out with negative results.

They do have handwriting at the bank for GALT. They are trying to get additional handwriting and photographs immediately. He fits description of the UNSUB. Birmingham has handwriting on the receipt of purchase of gun, which was purchased in name of HARVEY LOWMEYER, in Birmingham. (JOHN WILLARD was name used in registering at flop house in Memphis).

According to Birmingham, this man came in on 3/29/68, purchased a rifle, and returned on 3/30/68 saying words to effect "I talked this over with my brother and this won't do", and traded the Remington for a 30.06 and had a sight put on it which took three hours. He paid $248 and paid in twenty dollar bills.

According to Birmingham, when checking into the Memphis motel (under name JOHN WILLARD) he paid with a twenty dollar bill.

Supv. INGRAM, Jackson, advised that the Laboratory advised there was one shell in the automatic; this matches ballistics. The gun was wrapped in a blanket. The Lab has checked out the blanket and bag. Laundry marks being checked out on shorts found in bag.

They have eight latents; off the gun and off the pair of binoculars which was purchased on 4/4/68.

In preparing inserts, they are to be prepared on the day of investigation. If 302s prepared, read them, SA ALDERSON will coordinate paper work. They should be broken down under suspect's name. Twentyfive copies of each are to be prepared, to be sent by airtel to Memphis. The airtel will contain the suggested synopsis for the report.

Variations for name LOWMEYER (which was used on receipt in signing for gun) are LOWMAYER, LOWMIER, LOWMEIR, LOGHMEYER, LOGHMYER, LOMYER, LOMAIER, and LOUGHMAYER.

The following leads were assigned on the morning of 4/10/68:

SA ALDERSON will prepare and assign leads on any resultant leads.